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- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17):
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- 4. One (1) return postcard; and
- 5. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the 3-month extension of time fee.

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